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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: P. Sobutka  
SATOSHI ISHIGURO ET AL. )  
: TC/Art Unit: 2684  
Application No.: 09/406,697 )  
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Filed: September 28, 1999 )  
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For: COMMUNICATION DEVICE, )  
: Technology Center 2600  
IMAGE-PICKUP DEVICE, )  
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STORAGE MEDIUM AND )  
: August 20, 2004  
COMMUNICATION METHOD )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, as well as a copy of the Japanese Office Action and its English translation, also are enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the accompanying English language abstracts and translation.

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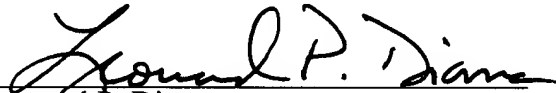
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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2).

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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